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- 1. CONFIDENTIAL-ENTIRE TEXT
- 2. BEIJING EVACUATION FLIGHTS: THE SECOND UNITED CHARTER FLIGHT DEPARTED ON THE NIGHT OF JUNE 8 (BEIJING TIME) CARRYING 65 AMERICANS TO TOKYO. THE CONTINENTAL CONFIDENTIAL

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CHARTER FLIGHT IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED TO LEAVE BEIJING 7:00 A.M. EDT, WITH ANYWHERE FROM 135 TO 200 AMERICANS. THE EMBASSY REPORTS THAT MANY SEATS ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON REGULARLY SCHEDULED FLIGHTS SO STRAGGLERS SHOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM GETTING OUT. (TASK FORCE/EMBASSY TELCON).

3. OTHER EVACUATION EFFORTS: THE U.S., AUSTRALIAN, BRITISH AND CANADIAN EMBASSIES WILL MAKE A JOINT DEMARCHE TO GAIN PERMISSION FOR A CANADIAN MILITARY

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AIRCRAFT TO EVACUATE FOREIGN RESIDENTS FROM CITIES NOT SERVED BY INTERNATIONAL CARRIERS. THE DEPARTMENT IS ALSO ATTEMPTING TO ARRANGE FOR A CHARTER FLIGHT FROM HONG KONG TO EVACUATE 100 AMERICANS FROM WUHAN. THE EMBASSY HAS ORGANIZED A BUS CARAVAN TO PICK UP ANOTHER 100 AMERICANS IN TIANJIN JUNE 10 AND RETURN THEM TO

BEIJING FOR DEPARTURE ON PEGULAR COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS. (TASK FORCE/EMBASSY/CANADIAN MFA TELCONS)

- 4. THE ARREST OF STUDENT LEADERS: THE EMBASSY HAS UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THAT SECURITY SERVICES ENTERED BEIJING UNIVERSITY AND BEIJING LANGUAGE INSTITUTE LOOKING FOR STUDENT LEADERS. (CNN REPORTS THAT 12 STUDENTS AT BEIJING U. WERE ARRESTED.) A CBS REPORTER TOLD EMBASSY OFFICERS THAT TROOPS ARE MOBILIZING IN THE NORTHWEST AREA OF BEIJING WHERE THE MAJOR UNIVERSITIES ARE LOCATED. (TASK FORCE/EMBASSY TELCON)
- 5. MILITARY SUPPORT FOR PARTY POLICIES: THE FEATURE ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE OF FRIDAY'S PEOPLE'S DAILY CONTAINS STATEMENTS OF SUPPORT FOR CURRENT PARTY POLICIES BY THE PARTY COMMITTEES OF ALL SEVEN MILITARY COMMANDS. HOWEVER, THE LANGUAGE OF EACH STATEMENT DIFFERS, CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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SUGGESTING POSSIBLE DISAGREEMENT AMONG THE MILITARY LEADERS. (TASK FORCE/EMBASSY TELCON)

- 6. SHENYANG: THE FIRST CONFRONTATION BETWEEN POLICE AND PROTESTERS ENDED WITH THE ARREST OF A SMALL NUMBER OF STUDENTS BUT NO VIOLENCE. THE CONSULATE BELIEVES THAT A UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT SUCCESSFULLY INTERVENED TO SECURE THE RELEASE OF THE STUDENTS A SHORT TIME AFTER THEIR ARREST. (SHENYANG 1339 AND 1352)
- 7. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. BAKER .